

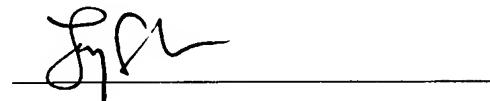
Remarks

Claims 1-8 are pending and stand provisionally rejected based on obviousness-type double patenting over the claims of U.S. Patent Application 10/618,914. Accompanying this response is a Terminal Disclaimer curing the double patenting rejection. Reconsideration and a Notice of Allowance are respectfully requested.

Conclusion

Applicants believe that no extension of time is required; however, this conditional petition is made to provide for the possibility that the applicants have inadvertently overlooked the need for an extension of time. If any additional fees are required for the timely consideration of this application, please charge deposit account number 19-4972. It is submitted that all the claim rejections have been addressed and that all of the pending claims are now in a condition for allowance. Reconsideration of the application and issuance of a Notice of Allowance are respectfully requested.

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